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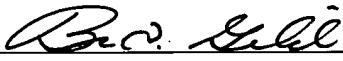
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application Serial No: 09/520,760 Confirmation No. 9118  
Date Filed: March 7, 2000  
Application Title: Non-Nucleic Acid Probes, Probe Sets, Method and Kits  
Pertaining To The Detection Of Human Chromosomes X, Y,  
1, 2, 3, 6, 10, 11, 12, 16, 17, and 18  
Applicant: Krishan L. Taneja  
Group Art Unit: 1634  
Examiner: Jehanne Souaya Sitton  
Action Date: January 8, 2004  
Action Type: Third Office Action On Merits -FINAL  
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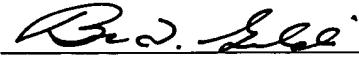
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**Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

Commissioner for Patents

Dear Sir or Madam:

Applicants hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for an automatic three-month extension of time to file a response to the Office Action mailed on January 8, 2004. With this extension, the due date for the response should be July 8, 2004. The Office is hereby authorized to deduct the fee set forth under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1) for a three-month extension for a large entity, believed to be \$ 950.00, from Deposit Account No. 02-3240.



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